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1 [A methodology for integrating business process and information infrastructure models](#)


 Michael K. Painter, Ronald Fernandes, Natarajan Padmanaban, Richard J. Mayer
 November 1996 **Proceedings of the 28th conference on Winter simulation WSC '96**

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Many organizations today undertake Business Process Reengineering (BPR) and information infrastructure (i.e., network hardware, communications, and applications infrastructure) modernization efforts to drastically reduce costs and improve performance. While these efforts would appear to be mutually supportive and complementary in nature, they are rarely conducted jointly. Although it is known that changes to one of these two facets of the organization can produce significant impacts on the other ...

2 [Integrated document and workflow management applied to the offer processing of a machine tool company](#)


 Stefan Morschheuser, Heinz Raufer
 August 1995 **Proceedings of conference on Organizational computing systems COCS '95**

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Introducing document and workflow management systems causes two main problems: How can the supported business processes be adequately modeled? How can existing information systems and databases be integrated? Within this paper, we present tools, methods and other approaches, which are designed to solve these problems. They are illustrated by the offer processing of a machine tool company. This process starts with a custome ...

3 [Application integration framework for a large business process redesign project](#)


 Jon Sholberg, Jim Illback
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Boeing has nearly completed a major program for business process redesign. Given the scale of this project and the large number of existing, heterogeneous systems, it has been essential that a standards-based architecture be implemented. The Common Object Request Broker Architecture (CORBA) standard has worked well as the application integration baseline for this new system

4 Flexible support for business processes: extending cooperative hypermedia with process support



Jörg M. Haake, Weigang Wang

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5 Integrating information requirements along processes: a survey and research directions



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Information requirements have traditionally been collected separately for different business functions and then integrated into an overall specification. The recent orientation to a process perspective in managing business activities has emphasized early integration, by concurrently analyzing business processes and information requirements. Accordingly, information requirements analysis methodologies should take into account these new integration needs. In the paper, we discuss these new integra ...

6 Data mining by business users: integrating data mining in business processes



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7 Creating a knowledge management architecture for business process change



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8 Business process oriented information management: conceptual models at work



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The reorganization of function-oriented, hierachically structured firms into interacting business process networks of functional islands integrated by flow of material and information is a major challenge for a company that wants to meet the steadily changing business demands of today. As information has become an important production resource during the last decades, the reorganization of information management has to accompany organizational restructuring. In this paper we propose ...

9 Process and workflow management: Introducing eservices in business process models

Lerina Aversano, Gerardo Canfora

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The need for automatic support of business processes that extend over the boundaries of an enterprise is a recognized need of emerging virtual organizations. To make workflow technologies useful during the enactment of business processes involving many partners that reciprocally provide and consume services, it is important to provide a model, and supporting technologies, to manage the introduction of services in workflow models. This paper introduces a framework for the introduction of eServices ...

Keywords: eservices, process models, workflow management

10 The effects of complexity on business processes reengineering: values and limitations of modeling and simulation technologies

Mohsen M. Fathee, Ray Redd, Darcy Gorgas, Batoul Modarres

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11 Simulation for intra- and inter-organisational business process modelling

George M. Giaglis, Ray J. Paul, Georgios I. Doukidis

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Business process modelling (BPM) is an increasingly emerging field of simulation application. Although it has been practically demonstrated that simulation can be an effective tool for business redesign, there does not exist a comprehensive framework to explain the characteristics of business processes and identify specific requirements for their modelling. Furthermore, hardly any attention has been paid to the modelling of inter-organisational business systems. In this paper, we examine the nat ...

12 Enterprise architecture for business process simulation

Ali Bahrami, Deborah Sadowski, Soheila Bahrami

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- 16 [Business-to-business interactions: issues and enabling technologies](#)
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Business-to-Business (B2B) technologies pre-date the Web. They have existed for at least as long as the Internet. B2B applications were among the first to take advantage of advances in computer networking. The Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) business standard is an illustration of such an early adoption of the advances in computer networking. The ubiquity and the affordability of the Web has made it possible for the masses of businesses to automate their B2B interactions. However, several issues ...

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Comparing internal and external approaches to enterprise business integration.

18 On the complementarity of workflow management and business process modeling

Stefan Jablonski

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The way business processes are implemented currently is out-of-date. It cannot keep pace with the rapid changes of today's business behavior. Thus, new ways to structure business processes have to be investigated. Business process reengineering is the upcoming discipline that is able to cope with the requirements posted by today's way of conducting business. However, models of business processes defined through business process reengineering still lack a suitable execution environment. Conventio ...

19 The seven major aspects of enterprise modelling and integration: a position paper

Soon Huat Lim, Neal Juster, Alan de Pennington

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Enterprise Engineering (EE), Enterprise Integration (EI), Enterprise Modelling (EM) and Enterprise Integration Modelling (EIM), which have been given the collective term "Enterprise Modelling and Integration" (EMI) in this paper, are all concerned with, in one way or another, the definition, analysis, redesign and integration of business processes, process data & knowledge, software applications and information systems within an enterprise in order for it to achieve marked advancements i ...

20 Applications in logistics, transportation, and distribution: Manufacturing supply chain applications: modeling computer assembly operations for supply chain integration

Sanjay Jain, Ngai Fong Choong, William Lee

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Factory operations have been modeled for years to understand the relationship between the different design and policy factors and the performance measures of interest. The increasing awareness of the need to manage factories as a link in the supply chain places a corresponding requirement for an enhanced approach for factory modeling. This paper describes the modeling of a computer assembly factory for supply chain integration by including aspects of inbound and outbound logistics and relevan ...

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